

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**  
**NASHVILLE TENNESSEE**

September 16, 2003

IN RE:

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY FOR OPERATOR  
SERVICES AND/OR RESELL INTEREXCHANGE  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE AND/OR  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS OPERATOR SERVICES  
IN TENNESSEE PURSUANT TO RULE 1220-4-2-.57

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**DOCKET NO.**  
**95-03432**

**Company ID: 117114**

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**ORDER REVOKING AUTHORITY GRANTED TO  
STARTEC GLOBAL LICENSING COMPANY TO CONDUCT BUSINESS  
AS A PUBLIC UTILITY IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE FOR FAILURE TO  
PROVIDE SURETY BOND OR IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT**

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This matter came before Director Deborah Taylor Tate, Director Pat Miller and Director Ron Jones of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (hereafter the "Authority" or "TRA") at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on March 17, 2003, to consider whether to revoke the authority of StarTec Global Licensing Company<sup>1</sup> (the "Company") to conduct business in the State of Tennessee as a public utility for failure to comply with Tennessee Code Ann. § 65-4-125(j).<sup>2</sup>

The Company originally filed its Application for authority to provide operator services and/or resell telecommunications services on September 27, 1995. On May 24, 1996, the Commissioners of the Tennessee Public Service Commission found that the Company had met all the requirements for

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<sup>1</sup> StarTec Global Licensing Company was formerly known as StarTec Global Communications Corporation. This name change was effected by Order dated March 12, 1999.

<sup>2</sup> Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-125(j) provides:

By September 1, 2000, all telecommunications service providers subject to the control and jurisdiction of the authority, except those owners or operators of public telephone service who pay annual inspection and supervision fees pursuant to § 65-4-301(b), or any telecommunications service provider that owns and operates equipment facilities in Tennessee with a value of more than five million dollars (\$5,000,000), shall file with the authority a corporate surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to secure the payment of any monetary sanction imposed in any enforcement proceeding, brought under this title or the Consumer Telemarketing Protection Act of 1990, compiled in title 47, chapter 18, part 15, by or on behalf of the authority.

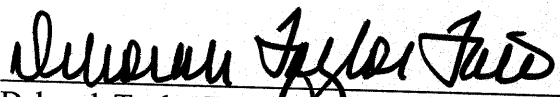
certification and the requirements of Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1220-4-2-.57, which was promulgated pursuant to, *inter alia*, Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-101 and Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-201, and voted unanimously to approve the Application as filed.

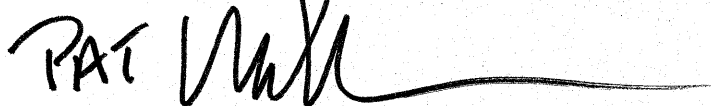
A notice advising the Company of its failure to comply with the requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-125(j) was mailed on October 9, 2002 via certified mail. The Company failed to respond to the October 9, 2002 notice. As a result of this failure, this matter was placed on the March 17, 2003 Authority Conference for the Directors to consider revocation of the Company's certification.

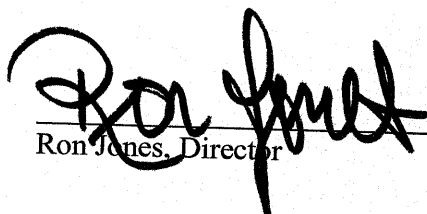
As of the March 17, 2003 Authority Conference, the Company had failed to file with the Authority a \$20,000 corporate surety bond or an irrevocable letter of credit to secure the payment of any monetary sanction imposed in any enforcement proceeding, and it had not demonstrated ownership and operation of equipment facilities in Tennessee with a value of more than \$5,000,000. Accordingly, the panel voted unanimously to revoke the authority of the Company to conduct business in the State of Tennessee.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

The authority of StarTec Global Licensing Company granted in Docket No. 95-03432 to conduct business in the State of Tennessee as a public utility is revoked, and this docket is closed.

  
Deborah Taylor Tate, Director

  
Pat Miller, Director

  
Ron Jones, Director